



ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Rose Mofford, Governor
Ronald L. Miller, Ph.D., Acting Director

July 18, 1988

Mr. Thomas J. Wilson
Acting City Manager
City of Scottsdale
3939 Civic Center Plaza
Scottsdale, AZ 85215

Re: Solid Waste Disposal at Tri-City Landfill

Dear Mr. Wilson:

The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) is concerned about your city's use of the Tri-City Landfill. A copy of EPA's recent inspection report and ADEQ's letter to the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community regarding this facility are enclosed. Some of the concerns expressed by EPA are similar to the issues which were previously raised as early as 1980.

Groundwater analyses have shown that volatile organic compounds have been found in the monitoring wells on the southern side of the landfill. Concerns have also been expressed regarding the adequacy of the landfill's protection from surface water washout. You should also be aware that, under federal statutes, the city and other parties may be liable for future remedial action costs if hazardous contaminants are released from this facility and are found to be impacting public health or the environment.

EPA has requested that the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community provide information regarding these issues. ADEQ also has written to President Anton to establish a mechanism for addressing these concerns in a positive and cooperative manner. We will keep you apprised of our actions.

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Sincerely,

Norm Weiss
Assistant Director

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Mr. Terry Zerkle
City Manager
City of Tempe
P. O. Box 5002
Tempe, AZ 85281

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Mr. Charles K. Luster
City Manager
City of Mesa
P. O. Box 1466
Mesa, AZ 85201

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